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For: DATA REPRODUCTION SYSTEM, DATA RECORDER AND DATA READER  
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**REQUEST FOR RETURN OF FORM PTO-1449**

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Sir:

On December 28, 2004 a Form PTO-1449 was filed in the subject application. As of the present date, however, an initialed and dated Form PTO-1449 has not been returned to the offices of the undersigned. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Form PTO-1449 be initialed and dated as an indication that the cited references have been fully considered and then returned to Applicant.

For the Examiner's convenience, Applicant has submitted a fresh copy of the Form PTO-1449.

Respectfully submitted,

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